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Dear Mr. Snow,

The purpose of this letter is to inform you of what I consider to be deficiencies in the CALFED plan, which if implemented, is supposed to reverse the ecological decline of the Sacramento River and the delta. My comments are as follows:

- 1. I oppose all CALFED alternatives that require construction of new or enlarged dams and canals, including the Peripheral Canal and an enlarged Shasta dam.
- 2. I urge CALFED to expand water efficiency, conservation, and reclamation programs to stretch our existing water supplies, instead of building new dams and canals.
- 3. I support CALFED's proposed restoration objectives for Central Valley stream flows, water temperature, stream meander flood plain management, and riparian/riverine habitat, as well as all sensitive, threatened, and endangered species. These restoration objectives are needed to mitigate the impacts of current water facilities.
- 4. I oppose CALFED's proposed restoration objectives for upper watershed forest management and delta hydraulics. We cannot reduce the wildfire threat in the upper watersheds by increasing logging and we cannot resolve the delta's flow problems by building more dams and diversions.

Please take my comments into consideration when proposing changes to the CALFED bill.

Very truly yours,

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